

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
FOR THE
PROPOSED MORRO BAY STATE PARK CAMPGROUND REHABILITATION
AND DAY USE AREA PROJECT**

On March 1, 2001, the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) released for public review a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed project. This notice serves to inform the public and interested agencies that the DEIR is available for review and comment.

Lead Agency: California Department of Parks and Recreation

Project Location: Morro Bay State Park in the City of Morro Bay, San Luis Obispo County

Description of the Proposed Project: The proposed project would: (1) rehabilitate the existing campground, including construction of a new entrance station, realignment of existing campground loop roads, construction of paved campsite parking spurs, replacement of park furniture, and installation of new shower/restroom combination buildings; (2) expand existing day-use facilities between the existing campground and marina, including installation of new picnic sites, campfire center, and parking area; (3) realign Lower State Park Road, from its intersection with Upper State Park Road, to north of the campground, where it would provide access to the new campground entrance station.

Significant Environmental Effects: Potentially significant environmental effects were identified in the following areas: visual resources, air quality, noise, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, and water supply. All significant impacts of the proposed project and selected road realignment (Option A) would be reduced to a less-than-significant level with mitigation, except for short-term construction noise impacts.

Public Review Period: The DEIR is being circulated for public review and comment for a review period of 45 days starting March 1, 2001. Comments about the environmental issues related to the proposed project from all responsible agencies, interested parties, and organizations are welcome. Written comments must be submitted no later than April 14, 2001, to the following address:

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Copies of the Draft EIR may be reviewed at the following locations during normal business hours:

San Luis Obispo County Library
995 Palm Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 94301

Morro Bay Branch Library
625 Harbor Street
Morro Bay, CA 93442

San Luis Obispo Coast District Office
Department of Parks and Recreation
1150 Laurel Lane
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Northern Service Center
Department of Parks and Recreation
1725 23rd Street, #200
Sacramento, CA 95816

Public Hearing: One public hearing will be held for the proposed project on April 4, 2001, at 7:00 P.M. at the following location:

City of Morro Bay Community Center
Multi-Purpose Room
1001 Kennedy Way
Morro Bay, CA 93442